

11. SAKRA, let us *go*, proved in deeds, to deeds;
Yarga xvn.
thunderer, cleaver of mountains, let us conquer
in
battles by thy steeds.¹
12. We refresh thee, SATAKRATU, *with*
our
praises, as (the herdsman) the cattle with
(different
kinds of) pasture.
13. All mortal natures, SATAKRATU, are moved by
desire; we feel wishes, O thunderer.
14. O son of strength, men, uttering their
desires,
abide happily in thee; none, INDEA, surpasses
thee.
15. Showerer (of blessings), protect us by thy
action, which is most bounteous yet awful, foe-
terri-
fying yet many-cherishing.²
16. ³Eejoice us, ⁴INDRA, SATAKRATTT, as thou re-
v[^]rga XVIII
joicest in that most glorious exhilaration
of the
Soma;
- 17c That *Soma* of thine, IXDRA, which
is most
widely renowned, most destructive of
thine enemies,
and most renovating to thy strength.
18. Thunderer, smiter of enemies,
truthful drinker
of the *Soma*, we know (the wealth)
which is given
by thee to all thy votaries.

¹ Sayana says "by steeds given by thee."

¹ So Sayana, who explains *purandhyd* by *lahundin dJtdrayitryd*:
but he himself explains the word in v. 30. 8 (*no rathatti at a pnr-andhya*) by *solhanabuddhyd*. I should therefore prefer to trans-
late the Terse, "Showerer, protect us "by thy care, hy thy good providence, which is bounteous and yet awful and foe-terrifying."

³ Sama Yeda, I. 2. 1. 3. 2.

⁴ Benfey takes it ⁴<des Eauschs berausche tlich."
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